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7. (Amended) The measuring device as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that it includes a cooling system for cooling the injector (2), the first measuring chamber (8), the piston (38) and the piston displacement sensor (46).

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11. (Amended) The measuring method as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that it consists, when draining the second chamber, in performing this draining until a reference pressure is established in that chamber.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 11 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 3-7 and 11 are amended to remove multiple dependencies. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

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Appendix

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APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

The following are marked-up versions of the amended claims:

3. (Amended) The measuring device as claimed in ~~of claim 1 or 2~~, characterized in that the means of draining the first measuring chamber (8) comprise a back-pressure regulator (34).

4. (Amended) The measuring device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, characterized in that the means of draining the second measuring chamber (20) comprise a back-pressure regulator (54) intended to keep the pressure in the second chamber at a reference value.

5. (Amended) The measuring device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, characterized in that the piston (38) is preloaded by a spring (44) urging it toward the second measuring chamber (20).

6. (Amended) The measuring device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, characterized in that the piston (38) moves in a smooth-walled cylinder (36) and in that it comprises an annular groove (56) open toward the wall of the cylinder (36).

7. (Amended) The measuring device as claimed in ~~one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, characterized in that it includes a cooling system for cooling the injector (2), the first measuring chamber (8), the piston (38) and the piston displacement sensor (46).

11. (Amended) The measuring method as claimed in claim 9 ~~or 10~~, characterized in that it consists, when draining the second chamber, in performing this draining until a reference pressure is established in that chamber.